

Retirement benefits.
10 U. S. C. §§ 1029-1032.

10 U. S. C. § 164.

34 U. S. C. §§ 438-440a; Supp. I, §§ 438-440a.

Disability retirement.

10 U. S. C. § 937.

34 U. S. C. § 436; Supp. I, § 436 note.

Computation of pay.

Effective date.

of the Army Nurse Corps heretofore retired under the Act of May 13, 1926 (44 Stat. 531), who at the time of retirement held the relative rank of major, captain, first lieutenant, or second lieutenant in the Army under the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 767), and each member of the Navy Nurse Corps heretofore retired under the Act of May 13, 1926 (44 Stat. 531), and placed on the Navy Nurse Corps Retired List in the grade of superintendent, assistant superintendent, chief nurse, or nurse, shall be considered, for the purposes of this Act, as having retired with the commissioned rank either of major, captain, first lieutenant, or second lieutenant in the Army, or lieutenant commander, lieutenant, lieutenant (junior grade), or ensign in the Navy, respectively.

SEC. 2. (a) Each member of the Army Nurse Corps, or person entitled to the rights, privileges, and benefits of members of the Army Nurse Corps, retired for disability under the Act of June 20, 1930 (46 Stat. 790), as amended, who at the time of retirement held the relative rank of colonel, lieutenant colonel, major, captain, first lieutenant, or second lieutenant, shall, for the purposes of this Act, be considered as having retired with the commissioned rank of colonel, lieutenant colonel, major, captain, first lieutenant, or second lieutenant, respectively.

(b) Each member of the Navy Nurse Corps, or person entitled to the rights, privileges, and benefits of members of the Navy Nurse Corps, retired for disability prior to December 23, 1942, under the Act of June 20, 1930 (46 Stat. 790), as amended, and placed on the Navy Nurse Corps Retired List in the grade of superintendent, assistant superintendent, chief nurse, or nurse, shall, for the purposes of this Act, be considered as having retired with the commissioned rank of lieutenant commander, lieutenant, lieutenant (junior grade), or ensign, respectively.

SEC. 3. The retired or retirement pay of each person referred to in sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall be computed in the same manner as is now or may hereafter be provided by law for the computation of retired pay of an officer of corresponding grade and length of service in the Regular Army or Regular Navy, as the case may be: *Provided*, That nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to deprive any person of any higher retired grade or rank, or any greater retired or retirement pay, to which entitled under any other provision of law.

SEC. 4. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This Act shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar month following its enactment, and no back pay for any period prior thereto shall accrue by reason of its enactment.

Approved May 7, 1948.

[CHAPTER 269]

AN ACT

To amend section 40 of the Shipping Act, 1916 (39 Stat. 728), as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 40 of the Shipping Act, 1916 (39 Stat. 728), as amended, is amended by inserting before the period at the end of the first paragraph a comma and the following: "or any other official thereof duly authorized by such corporation to execute any such declaration".

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46 U. S. C. § 838.